

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 3439 - HB 3815

February 11, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class C misdemeanor offense for a person who, without legal privilege, engages in any form of mass picketing that constitutes an obstacle to or from a place of employment entrance; that prevents the pursuit of any lawful work or employment; that involves a person wearing a mask, hood, or otherwise to conceal the identity of the person; or that constitutes violence, threats of violence, or intimidation. Includes mass picketing of a private residence to the extent not protected by the federal or state constitutions but excludes from this section mass picketing of any government building or facility. Specifically states that the offense includes engaging in targeted picketing of a private residence with the intended effect of interfering with the resident's right to quiet enjoyment or the intended effect of violence or intimidation, except for private residences that are also places of employment. Affords such a private person or business relief court action to enjoin the behavior. Defines "mass picketing" as the assembly of persons in the use of pickets or demonstrations at or near any business, school, or private facility.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- There will not be a sufficient number of misdemeanor prosecutions or other court actions to enjoin such behavior for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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